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The annual drive for scholarship funds for University of Montana music students hinges this year on "Show Time, 1966," a benefit performance featuring student talent.

The variety show will play in the University Theater Friday, Feb. 4, at 8:15 p.m.

UM Prof. John Lester, who masterminded the Nite Club Dances that provided scholarship aid to so many young musicians over the past 25 years, is director of "Show Time."

Judy Stowe, Great Falls, who began her reign as Miss University of Montana in January, will appear on the program centering around production numbers from Broadway hit musicals.

Other student stars on the bill include soprano Esther England, winner of last year's Metropolitan Opera auditions in Spokane, Wash.; tenor Lee Mathews, Eureka; baritone Ed Blackler, Missoula; soprano Janet Kenney, Missoula, and soprano Elsie Mielke, Harlowton, winner of the talent award at the 1966 Miss UM Pageant.

Organizations taking part include the Jubileers, conducted by Joseph A. Mussulman; the Opera Workshop, under the direction of Prof. Lester, and a jazz band led by Dr. Donald O. Johnston.

Students contributing their time and talents to the show depend primarily on an annual benefit performance for scholarship aid for the coming year, according to Mary Ann Peterson, Laurel, promotion chairman, and Ed Harris, Forsyth, program chairman. But, they added, music students are hoping the current campaign will also yield funds from other sources, such as donations.

Tickets for the scholarship benefit will be available at the University Theater box office, which will be open from noon to 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. ^{3/}~~30~~, through Friday, Feb. 4.

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